

Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)
	10/718,856	MARIELLA ET AL.
	Examiner Stephanie K. Mumment	Art Unit 1637

All Participants:

Status of Application: allowed

(1) Stephanie K. Mumment.

(3) ____.

(2) Eddie Scott.

(4) ____.

Date of Interview: 10 March 2006

Time: 11am

Type of Interview:

- Telephonic
 Video Conference
 Personal (Copy given to: Applicant Applicant's representative)

Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated: Yes No

If Yes, provide a brief description:

Part I.

Rejection(s) discussed:

Claims discussed:

1, 21, 42

Prior art documents discussed:

Part II.

SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED:

See Continuation Sheet

Part III.

- It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability.
 It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above.

Stephanie K. Mumment

(Examiner/SPE Signature)

(Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature – if appropriate)

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was discussed: A proposed amendment was discussed to put the claims in condition for allowance, which would change the claim language from 'tethered' to 'chemically coupled' and adding a step a) providing a mixture comprising a nucleic acid template chemically coupled to a ligase and single stranded DNAs complementary to the template, for ligation.

Contacted Mr. Scott on 3/14/06 for approval to further amend the claims to include the limitation 'protein ligase'.